

ORDINANCE NO. 11-007

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF ORANGE, CALIFORNIA  
AMENDING SECTIONS 1-6-5 AND 1-6-6 OF THE CODIFIED  
ORDINANCES OF THE COUNTY OF ORANGE ADJUSTING  
THE LIMITATIONS ON CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Orange, California, ordains as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 1-6-5 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Orange is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1-6-5. Contribution limitations.

(a) No person shall make to any candidate for County elective office or the controlled committee of such a candidate, and no such candidate or committee shall accept from any such person, a contribution or contributions totaling more than one thousand eight hundred dollars (\$1,800.00) for each of the following elections for which the person is a candidate; a primary election, a special election, or a general (runoff) election.

(b) The contribution limitations set forth in subsection (a) shall also apply to any committee which collects contributions for the purpose of making expenditures in support of or opposition to the recall of the elective County officer, and to contributions received by the elective County officer during the time period set forth in section 1-6-7(b) of this division.

(c) Any person or committee that spends or incurs more than twenty-five (25) percent of its independent expenditures during the twelve (12) months preceding a County election on independent expenditures supporting or opposing County candidate(s) shall not accept any contribution(s) from any person in excess of one thousand eight hundred dollars (\$1,800.00) during the time periods set forth in section 1-6-7 of this division.

(d) The provisions of this section shall not apply to a candidate's contribution of his or her personal funds to his or her own campaign committee, but shall apply to contributions from a spouse.

SECTION 2. Section 1-6-6 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Orange is amended to read:

Sec. 1-6-6. Aggregation of contributions.

For purposes of the limitations in this division, the following shall apply:

(a) All contributions made by a sponsored committee to a County candidate or to an elective County officer (or to a committee controlled by such candidate or officer) shall be combined with those contributions made by the sponsor(s) of the committee, and the combined amount shall not exceed one thousand eight hundred dollars (\$1,800) within the time periods set forth in section 1-6-7 of this division.

(b) Two (2) or more entities shall be treated as one (1) person when any of the following circumstances apply:

- (1) The entities share the majority of members of their boards of directors.
- (2) The entities share two (2) or more officers.
- (3) The entities are owned or controlled by the same majority shareholder or shareholders.
- (4) The entities are in a parent-subsiadiary relationship.

(c) An individual and any general or limited partnership in which the individual has a ten (10) percent or more share, or an individual and any corporation in which the individual owns a controlling interest (fifty (50) percent or more), or an individual connected with a business entity and that business entity when the individual participates in or controls in any way a decision on whether the candidate or candidates receive contributions from that business entity, regardless of the percentage of ownership, shall be treated as one (1) person.

(d) No committee which supports or opposes a candidate for County office shall have as a majority of its officers individuals who serve as the majority of officers on any other committee which supports or opposes the same candidate. No such committee shall act in concert with, or solicit or make contributions on behalf of, any other committee. This subdivision shall not apply to treasurers of committees if these treasurers do not participate in or control in any way a decision on whether the candidate or candidates receive contributions.

(e) Contributions by a husband and wife except as set forth in section 1-6-5(d), shall be aggregated unless a contribution comes exclusively from the separate property of one spouse.

(f) Contributions by children under eighteen (18) years of age shall be presumed to be contributions by their parents or legal guardians, allocated equally to each living parent or living guardian of the child.

This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force thirty (30) days from and after its passage and before the expiration of fifteen (15) days after the passage thereof, shall be published once in an adjudicated newspaper in the County of Orange.

**THE FOREGOING** was **PASSED** and **ADOPTED** by the following vote of the Orange County Board of Supervisors on March 01, 2011, to wit:

AYES: Supervisors: SHAWN NELSON, JOHN M. W. MOORLACH, JANET NGUYEN  
PATRICIA BATES, BILL CAMPBELL

NOES:

EXCUSED:

ABSTAINED:

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CHAIRMAN

STATE OF CALIFORNIA     )  
                                      ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ORANGE     )

I, DARLENE J. BLOOM, Clerk of the Board of Orange County, California, hereby certify that a copy of this document has been delivered to the Chairman of the Board and that the above and foregoing Ordinance was duly and regularly adopted by the Orange County Board of Supervisors.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand and seal.

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DARLENE J. BLOOM  
Clerk of the Board.  
County of Orange, State of California

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I certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Ordinance adopted by the Board of Supervisors, Orange County, State of California

DARLENE J. BLOOM, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy